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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE  
WITH UNIVERSAL VALVE GEAR SYSTEM AND VARIABLE COMPRESSING  
MECHANISM

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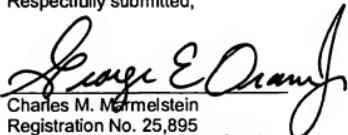
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